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*South Vietnam: (Information as of 0500 EST)
Coups action initiated this morning in Saigon by senior
Vietnamese military officers has developed rapidly.

Anti-Diem forces have seized control of various
key installations and have the palace under seige, where
fighting is reported. [REDACTED]

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Despite these initial successes by the coup forces,
the situation is still obscure and various troop move-
ments are reported under way in the Saigon area. [REDACTED]

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There are no reports of casualties among American
personnel who have been advised by radio to remain off
the streets. [REDACTED]

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Pakistan-India: (An exchange of shooting on the Kashmir cease-fire line on 30 October between Indian and Pakistani-sponsored local forces follows generally increased tensions between the two countries.)

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(Additional incidents may follow. Both sides, however, will almost certainly try to keep them localized. Pakistan presumably wants to avoid a generalized conflict in Kashmir in which India would enjoy a military superiority. India, on the other hand, would be reluctant to risk encouraging Chinese initiatives along the Himalayan frontier, and to endanger the flow of military aid from the US and UK. Pakistan has approximately 25,000 men available near the cease-fire line, including regular army and militia units; India has 40,000.)

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Afghanistan: King Zahir Shah apparently is starting to reverse former prime minister Daud's policy of relying almost entirely on the Soviet Union for Afghan military training. The Afghan defense minister states that Kabul wants to increase substantially the limited number of Afghans receiving such training in the United States. The King has been concerned that the Soviet training constituted a long-term danger to the loyalty of the armed forces, but seems to wish to expand training in the United States and Western Europe gradually enough not to give undue offense to Moscow.

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Greece: In the campaign for the 3 November national elections former premier Karamanlis' National Radical Union appears to have lost some ground to its major opponent, George Papandreou's Center Union. The Communist-dominated United Democratic Left, the third-ranking party, has also failed to gain momentum and is not likely to increase its parliamentary strength significantly. If Karamanlis does not get a working majority in Parliament, Greece will probably enter a period of political instability requiring another round of elections at an early date.

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